GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH)
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Globalisation of AYUSH
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Will the Minister of AYURVEDA,YOGA & NATUROPATHY,UNANI,SIDDHA AND HOMEOPATHY (AYUSH) be pleased to state:

(a) whether the globalisation of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH) medicines is also a part of the policy of the Union Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India has collaborated with the United States on research and development of traditional medicines for various diseases including cancer care for global acceptability of AYUSH medicines and if so, the details thereof;

(d) the progress made so far in this regard; and

(e) the manner in which it would be helpful to promote AYUSH system of medicines?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (IC) OF THE MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA,
YOGA & NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA AND HOMOEOPATHY
(SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)
(a) & (b): Yes. The Ministry of AYUSH is mandated to promote and propagate AYUSH systems of medicine across the globe. To achieve the objective, the Ministry of AYUSH signs Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) for 'Country to Country' cooperation in the field of Traditional Medicines; sets-up AYUSH Academic Chairs in foreign Universities/ Educational Institutes; establishes AYUSH Information Cells in the premises of the Indian Missions abroad or Indian Cultural Centres for dissemination of authentic Information about AYUSH Systems of medicine and enters into MoUs with foreign institutes for undertaking collaborative research.
(c): Yes, As a result of concerted efforts, for the first time India has successfully engaged with United States (US) in the field of Traditional Medicine. An India-US workshop on Traditional Medicine with special focus on cancer was organized on 3-4 March, 2016 at New Delhi. A US team comprising of experts from National Cancer Institute (NCI) took part in the two day exhaustive deliberations that have resulted into significant leads.
(d): A productive bilateral dialogue with Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), National Institute of Health (NIH) & National Cancer Institute (NCI) team is ongoing.
(e): Collaboration with USA in the field of Traditional Systems of Medicine would bestow more credibility and lead to enhanced acceptability of Indian Systems of Medicine Worldwide.